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Re: U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/975,458

Mr. Shrestha;

As requested, a proposed agenda for tomorrow's interview is attached. Gordon Brown and I look forward to meeting with you at 11:00 tomorrow.

Alan G. Towner

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U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/975,458**Proposed Agenda For****Interview with Examiner Bijendra K. Shrestha - July 20, 2010**

(1) Brief Overview of Invention.

(2) 35 U.S.C. § 112 Rejection - Proposed claim amendment to address “may be” and “capable of” language:

Claim 45 (Currently Amended): An open financial accounting system for providing financial accounting statements for a first entity, comprising:

a first computer having at least one file from which an accounting statement ~~[[may be]]~~ is generated;

a second computer ~~[[for]]~~ receiving data inputs, said data inputs including electronically recorded financial transaction information made between said first entity and a second entity; and

an open communication network ~~capable of~~ transferring said data inputs from said second computer to said file of said first computer, wherein said data inputs in said file of said first computer ~~[[may be]]~~ are used to produce said accounting statements derived from said financial transaction information including income, expense, asset and/or liability information for said first entity.

(3) 35 U.S.C. § 102 Rejection - Discussion of distinctions over Nelson ‘265.